

Valley County 2003 Count of Persons by Age, Race, and Gender

School Age	White Alone		Black Alone		American Indian & Alaska Native Alone		Asian Alone and Native Hawaiian & Pacific Islander Alone		Two or More Races		Hispanic or Latino of any Race	
	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female
5 to 9	357	186	1	1	61	36	2	1	13	7	6	3
10 to 14	414	192	1	0	69	24	1	1	11	5	6	2
15 to 19	472	226	0	0	73	29	2	2	13	7	6	3
20 to 24	336	155	1	1	49	18	2	0	9	4	3	2
Total	1,579	759	3	2	252	107	7	4	46	23	21	10

Working Age	White Alone		Black Alone		American Indian & Alaska Native Alone		Asian Alone and Native Hawaiian & Pacific Islander Alone		Two or More Races		Hispanic or Latino of any Race	
	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female
15+	5,409	2,759	9	5	485	237	21	18	64	37	38	21
15-64	3,981	1,961	5	3	431	208	17	14	63	36	31	17
20+	4,937	2,533	9	5	412	208	19	16	51	30	32	18
20-64	3,509	1,735	5	3	358	179	15	12	50	29	25	14

Other Age Group	White Alone		Black Alone		American Indian & Alaska Native Alone		Asian Alone and Native Hawaiian & Pacific Islander Alone		Two or More Races		Hispanic or Latino of any Race	
	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female
0 to 4	343	165	1	1	77	36	0	0	10	6	11	5
5 to 19	1,243	604	2	1	203	89	5	4	37	19	18	8
20 to 44	1,627	815	3	2	239	113	11	9	30	16	17	10
45 to 64	1,882	920	2	1	119	66	4	3	20	13	8	4
65+	1,428	798	4	2	54	29	4	4	1	1	7	4
Total	6,523	3,302	12	7	692	333	24	20	98	55	61	31

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2003 Population Estimates
Compiled by: Research & Analysis Bureau

Top 10 Private Employers in Valley County Listed in Alphabetical Order

Albertson's	Hi-Line Home Programs
Cottonwood Inn	Milk River Inc.
First Community Bank	Nemont Telephone Cooperative
Frances Mahon Deaconess Hospital	Pamida
Gordon's Warehouse	Valley View Home

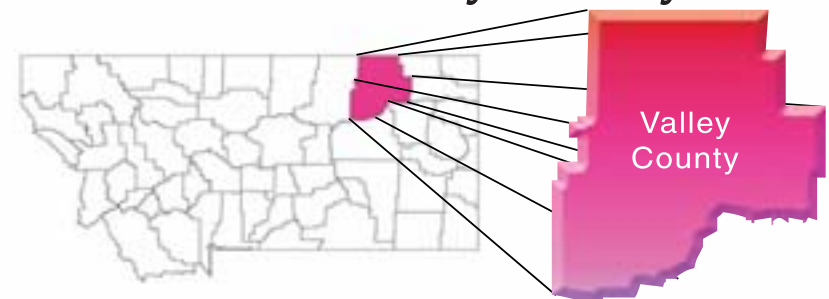
Source: Montana Department of Labor & Industry, Research & Analysis Bureau
First Quarter 2004 Unemployment Insurance Information. This list includes ONLY private industry employers subject to Unemployment Insurance. Railroads and city, county, state, and federal government agencies (including public school districts and universities) are excluded.

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For Valley County



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Located in eastern Montana, Valley County is Montana's 27th most populous with 7,349 residents, according to the 2003 Census Bureau estimates.

The *Montana Almanac*, by authors Andrea Merrill and Judy Jacobson, says the county was established in 1893 and named for its location in the Milk River Valley. The authors add Valley County is one of Montana's largest counties in terms of land area. Glasgow, the county seat, is the state's 25th largest city with a population of 3,122, according to the 2003 Census Bureau estimates.

The city takes its name from Glasgow, Scotland. The county is home to the Fort Peck Dam, the world's largest, hydraulic-fill dam. The Governor's Cup Walleye Tournament is held annually in July at Fort Peck Lake. A portion of the Fort Peck Indian Reservation, Montana's third largest reservation, is located in the county. Art enthusiasts can enjoy musicals and drama in the historic Fort Peck Theater during summer weekends.

According to the U.S. Bureau of the Census, median income for Valley County households in 2000 was \$32,194. The county is 5,062 square miles in area; 4,921 square miles in land area and 141 in inland water area.

County residents experience the four distinct seasons. According to the *Western Regional Climate Center* (airport readings), the average daily low in Glasgow in January between 1971 and 2000 was 1.8 degrees Fahrenheit. The average daily high in July was 83.8 degrees Fahrenheit. The annual precipitation during the same period was 11.2 inches and the growing season was from May 6 to Sept. 27 (last and first frost).

According to the *Western Regional Climate Center*, Valley County has some of the coldest places in Montana. The following are averages in January between 1971 and 2000: 10 miles north of Opheim with an average daily low of minus 2.7 degrees; 16 miles southeast of Opheim with minus 4.8 degrees; and four miles northwest of Lustre with 2.5 degrees Fahrenheit.

Valley County Population

Source: U.S. Census Bureau

Area	7/1/2003 Estimate	7/1/2002 Estimate	4/1/2000 Census	4/1/1990 Census	Percent Change 2002-2003	Percent Change 2000-2003	Percent Change 1990-2000
Montana	917,621	910,372	902,195	799,065	0.8%	1.7%	12.9%
Valley County	7,349	7,416	7,675	8,239	-0.9%	-4.2%	-6.8%
Fort Peck	229	231	240	325	-0.9%	-4.6%	-26.2%
Glasgow	3,122	3,148	3,238	3,572	-0.8%	-3.6%	-9.4%
Nashua	312	315	325	375	-1.0%	-4.0%	-13.3%
Opheim	105	106	111	145	-0.9%	-5.4%	-23.4%

Valley County Farms and Ranches

Total Farms and Ranches	743
Oilseed & Grain Farming	228
Vegetable & Melon Farming	0
Fruit & Tree Nut Farming	0
Greenhouse, Nursery & Floriculture Production	1
Sugar Beets, Hay & All Other Crops	240
Beef Cattle Ranching & Farming	230
Cattle Feedlots	0
Dairy Cattle & Milk Production	0
Hog & Pig Farming	2
Poultry & Egg Production	0
Sheep & Goat Farming	7
Animal Aquaculture & Other Animal Production	35

Source: USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service,
2002 Census of Agriculture

2000 Valley County Commuters by Location

County of Residence	# Who Work in Valley County	County of Work	# Who Live in Valley County
Out of State	2	Out of State	8
Blaine County	3	Blaine County	7
Daniels County	7	Daniels County	12
Flathead County	6	Flathead County	1
Gallatin County	9	Hill County	4
McCone County	14	McCone County	16
Phillips County	40	Phillips County	21
Roosevelt County	150	Roosevelt County	154
Valley County	3,247	Valley County	3,247

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2000 Data



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Be sure to check our location quotients for Valley County on the website. Location quotients are a measure of the concentration of an industry's employment in Valley County relative to the nation as a whole. A location quotient generally greater than 1 indicates that the industry is more concentrated in Valley County than in the nation as a whole, while a location quotient less than 1 indicates it is less concentrated in Valley County than in the nation as a whole.

Resources

Census and Economic Information for Montana:

Census and Economic Information Center, Montana Department of Commerce, P. O. Box 200505, Helena, MT 59620-0505, 406-841-2740 or check out the Internet website at <http://ceic.commerce.state.mt.us/>

Chambers of Commerce:

Glasgow Area Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture Inc., P. O. Box 832, Glasgow, MT 59230, 406-228-2222

Department of Labor and Industry:

Northeast Montana Job Service Workforce Center

74 4th St. N., Glasgow, MT 59230, 406-228-9369, <http://jsd.dli.state.mt.us/local/glasgow/>

Economic Development:

Two Rivers Economic Growth, 74 4th St. N., Glasgow, MT 59230, 406-228-3937 or cell phone 406-263-8402
Porteen & Associates, Inc., P. O. Box 189, St. Marie, MT 59231, 406-524-7404

Internet:

Montana Workforce Services home page for job listings at <http://jsd.dli.state.mt.us/>.

For information on the Internet about cities and towns of Fort Peck, Frazer, Glasgow, Glentana, Hinsdale, Nashua, Opheim, Richland, St. Marie and Vandalia go to <http://www.visitmt.com> and click on "cities and towns."

Housing Costs:

Check the Yellow Pages in the local phone directory for the *Real Estate* listings.

Montana Motor Vehicle Division:

Drivers' Licensing

Glasgow-839 First Ave. S., 406-228-9599 (this is their fax number too)

Public Libraries:

Glasgow City-County Library, 408 Third Ave. S., Glasgow, MT 59230-2498, 406-228-2731
Opheim Community Library, 100 Rock St., Opheim, MT 59250, 406-762-3213

Carbon County Public Schools, Kindergarten through 12th Grade:

Frazer Public Schools, P. O. Box 488, Frazer, MT 59225, 406-695-2241
Glasgow K-12 Schools, Box 28, Glasgow, MT 59230, 406-228-2406
Hinsdale Public Schools, P. O. Box 398, Hinsdale, MT 59241, 406-364-2314
Lustre Elementary, HC 66 Box 57, Frazer, MT 59225, 406-392-5725
Nashua K-12 Schools, P. O. Box 170, Nashua, MT 59248, 406-746-3411
Opheim K-12 Schools, Box 108, Opheim, MT 59250, 406-762-3214

Valley County Annual Average Labor Force

Year	Civilian Labor Force		Unemployment	
	Employed	Unemployed	Rate	
2003	4,267	151	3.5%	
2002	4,117	141	3.4%	
2001	4,093	142	3.5%	
2000	4,259	175	4.1%	
1999	4,342	202	4.7%	
1998	4,461	196	4.4%	
1997	4,349	179	4.1%	
1996	4,358	190	4.4%	
1995	4,184	186	4.4%	
1994	4,328	161	3.7%	
1993	4,183	194	4.6%	
1992	4,275	236	5.5%	
1991	4,204	226	5.4%	
1990	4,146	181	4.4%	
1989	4,378	213	4.9%	
1988	4,711	236	5.0%	
1987	4,707	316	6.7%	
1986	4,852	389	8.0%	
1985	4,852	345	7.1%	
1984	4,936	328	6.8%	
1983	4,225	409	9.7%	
1982	4,723	409	8.7%	
1981	4,991	316	6.3%	
1980	4,633	249	5.4%	
1979	4,774	243	5.1%	
1978	4,934	353	7.2%	
1977	4,916	431	8.8%	
1976	5,084	337	6.6%	
1975	5,145	302	5.9%	
1974	5,344	230	4.3%	
1973	4,939	230	4.7%	
1972	4,943	193	3.9%	
1971	4,489	223	5.0%	
1970	4,420	175	4.0%	

Source: Montana Department of Labor & Industry, Research and Analysis Bureau (2003 Benchmark).

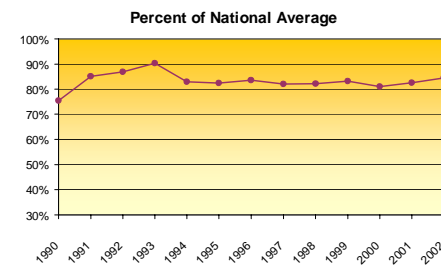
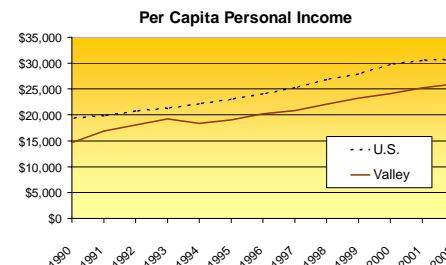
Valley County Per Capita Personal Income

Year	U.S.	Valley	% of National Average	Year	U.S.	Valley	% of National Average
2002	\$30,795	\$26,050	85%	1995	\$23,076	\$19,035	82%
2001	\$30,580	\$25,232	83%	1994	\$22,172	\$18,392	83%
2000	\$29,847	\$24,172	81%	1993	\$21,346	\$19,280	90%
1999	\$27,939	\$23,247	83%	1992	\$20,854	\$18,121	87%
1998	\$26,883	\$22,116	82%	1991	\$19,892	\$16,944	85%
1997	\$25,334	\$20,783	82%	1990	\$19,477	\$14,707	76%
1996	\$24,175	\$20,221	84%				

Valley County Employment by Industry* Annual Averages 2003

Industry	# of Establishments	Avg. Annual Employment	Annual Wages Paid
TOTAL ALL INDUSTRIES	332	2,794	\$63,229,905
TOTAL PRIVATE	278	2,066	\$42,942,614
AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY, FISHING & HUNTING	5	45	\$653,067
MINING	6	32	\$920,031
Support Activities for Mining	3	14	\$137,600
UTILITIES	6	31	\$1,320,346
CONSTRUCTION	32	104	\$2,623,909
Construction of Buildings	15	50	\$1,101,622
Heavy & Civil Engineering Construction	6	13	\$426,275
Specialty Trade Contractors	12	41	\$1,096,012
MANUFACTURING	8	81	\$1,955,994
WHOLESALE TRADE	12	92	\$2,123,201
Merchant Wholesalers, Nondurable Goods	6	46	\$617,694
RETAIL TRADE	47	326	\$6,840,897
Motor Vehicle & Parts Dealers	8	55	\$1,536,628
Furniture & Home Furnishing Stores	4	11	\$203,739
Building Material & Garden Supply Stores	7	53	\$1,439,394
Food & Beverage Stores	6	90	\$1,873,704
Gasoline Stations	7	25	\$329,104
Clothing & Clothing Accessories Stores	3	10	\$85,952
Miscellaneous Store Retailers	7	12	\$74,216
TRANSPORTATION & WAREHOUSING	8	21	\$847,334
INFORMATION	7	59	\$1,517,331
FINANCE & INSURANCE	17	134	\$3,778,073
Credit Intermediation & Related Activity	6	110	\$3,166,741
REAL ESTATE & RENTAL & LEASING	7	22	\$359,547
PROFESSIONAL & TECHNICAL SERVICES	14	60	\$1,585,119
ADMINISTRATIVE & WASTE SERVICES	8	40	\$447,661
HEALTH CARE & SOCIAL ASSISTANCE	27	596	\$13,850,602
Ambulatory Health Care Services	13	95	\$2,377,414
Social Assistance	10	135	\$1,686,952
ARTS, ENTERTAINMENT & RECREATION	5	15	\$186,926
ACCOMMODATION & FOOD SERVICES	32	299	\$2,541,330
Accommodation	7	88	\$1,028,681
Food Services & Drinking Places	25	211	\$1,512,649
OTHER SERVICES	37	95	\$1,192,067
Repair & Maintenance	12	41	\$632,878
Personal & Laundry Services	4	12	\$214,283
Membership Associations & Organizations	16	37	\$271,052
Private Households	4	5	\$73,854
TOTAL GOVERNMENT	54	728	\$20,287,291
Local Government	21	485	\$10,183,774
State Government	12	91	\$2,967,496
Federal Government	21	152	\$7,136,021

Source: Montana Department of Labor and Industry, Research and Analysis Bureau. (Totals may not add due to nondisclosure of confidential industry data or to rounding.) *This data is based on the Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages (QCEW) series which compiles data reported by all employers covered under Montana unemployment insurance.



Source: U.S. Department of Commerce Bureau of Economic Analysis, Regional Economic Information System. Released September 2004

Summary of Major Occupational Categories by Gender 2000 Census-Equal Employment Opportunity Data Employed Persons 16 Years and Older - Valley County

Occupation	Total	Male	Female
<i>Total</i>	3,511	1,866	1,645
<i>Management, professional, and related occupations:</i>	1,237	718	519
Management, business, and financial operations occupations:	661	480	181
Management, except farmers and farm managers	219	116	103
Farmers and farm managers	390	337	53
Business and financial operations occupations:	52	27	25
<i>Professional and related occupations:</i>	576	238	338
Education, training, and library occupations	187	33	154
Healthcare practitioners and technical occupations:	143	29	114
<i>Service occupations:</i>	683	241	442
Protective service occupations:	33	24	9
Food preparation and serving related occupations	328	103	225
Building and grounds cleaning and maintenance occupations	124	56	68
Personal care and service occupations	72	13	59
<i>Sales and office occupations:</i>	840	241	599
Sales and related occupations	309	193	116
Office and administrative support occupations	531	48	483
<i>Farming, fishing, and forestry occupations</i>	112	71	41
<i>Construction, extraction, and maintenance occupations:</i>	367	365	2
Construction and extraction occupations:	189	188	1
Installation, maintenance, and repair occupations	178	177	1
<i>Production, transportation, and material moving occupations:</i>	272	230	42
Production occupations	94	70	24
Motor vehicle operators	68	63	5
Material moving workers	39	30	9

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Equal Employment Opportunity File, www.census.gov/eo 2001.